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MR. CHAMBERLAIN.

Tells Boers a Little Gratitude Would Be Becoming.

Pretoria, Transvaal, Jan. 8.—An influential meeting of burghers yesterday afternoon, regarding natives, the importance of cattle by the government and their sale to the burghers at actual cost, and the abolition of the South African Constabulary.

Generals Botha, Dewet and Delarey strongly urge the necessity for a moderate attitude and organization to assist the present government.

Gen. Botha reported that \$525,000 had been collected in the United States and Europe for the relief of destitute Boers.

Mr. Chamberlain, replying to the address of the burghers, said the terms already granted were decidedly generous and that there was no prospect of a general amnesty. The cases of the burghers now in Europe would be considered individually on their merits, said Mr. Chamberlain, and these burghers should prove their loyalty by accounting for the gold taken to Europe. The Secretary said also that the annexation of the Vryheid and Utrecht districts to Natal was irrevocable and that the natives would be compelled to observe their obligations. He declared he would have been better pleased had the address of the burghers, instead of consisting merely of demands, contained some recognition of what His Majesty's government had already done for the Boers.

Back in  
Harness

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Takes 'Up  
His Duties Again at  
Ottawa.

Finance Minister Getting His  
Colleagues to Hurry Up  
With Estimates.

Ottawa Light Companies at War  
and Public Reap the  
Benefit.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—There is a rate war between the Consumers and the Ottawa electric companies, and the ratepayers are benefitting. A month ago the Consumers company made a substantial cut on rates in order to secure business, and the Ottawa company had to meet the reduction. Now the Consumers announce a net rate of three cents per thousand Wat hours, and the Ottawa company has intimated that it will come down to the same figure.

The period of service of Canadians enlisted in the South African Constabulary expires next year. The question has arisen as to whether the period of service dates from enlistment or arrival in South Africa, and the Department of Justice is asked to give an opinion.

Rev. Dr. Armstrong of St. Paul church will be nominated for moderator at the Presbyterian General Assembly, which meets in Vancouver next June.

Ottawa, Jan. 8.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier was bright and early at his office today, and in the course of the morning received many visitors. At noon the Prime Minister called upon His Excellency at Rideau Hall.

The commission to inquire into the salmon fisheries of British Columbia will shortly resume its sittings in order to have a report ready for parliament.

Mr. Fielding was active around the departments this afternoon. It is un- known his colleagues with the importance of hastening up the preparation of the estimates.

BANK ROBBED.

Burglars Escape With Four Thousand Dollars.

Louisville, Neb., Jan. 8.—The Bank of Louisville was robbed of \$4,200 today. The burglars escaped.

SOLD HIS WIFE.

A Strange Case of Ignorance and De- pravity in Ontario.

Cobourg, Ont., Jan. 8.—(Special.)— Judge Benson sentenced Geo. Albert Reynolds of Percy township to three months in jail for inciting to commit bigamy. Reynolds is the man who traded his wife off to his brother Walter for a match. The pair were married and pleaded guilty of bigamy. They got four months each today. The parties agreed in court to resume their legal relationship after serving their terms. The original couple have two young children and George was left in charge of them while the second marriage took place.

ROSS PLANS  
FRESH MOVE

Report That Ontario Province  
Will Have Another General  
Election.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—The World was in- formed yesterday that a decision was reached on Tuesday by the leaders of the Liberal party in Ontario to make an immediate appeal to the province. This decision, so the World was in- formed, was reached after the party met in three constituencies yesterday. If this is done, the government is to be reconstructed and some kind of a new policy to catch the temperance vote is to be introduced, and Rev. Mr. Mac- Donald, who is credited with having in- vited the referendum, is to be the spe- cial champion of it in the Globe news- paper.

The World tried to obtain a verifica- tion of this report, but did not succeed. One man, whose opinion ought to be worth something, said he was looking for some kind of surprise.

HARD COAL SCARCE.

Toronto Dealers Are About Out of It.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Receipts of hard coal have almost stopped. Deal- ers say the people who are not supplied will have to use soft coal for the rest of the winter.

HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON.

Minister of the Interior at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 8.—Hon. Clif- ford Sifton, minister of the interior of the Dominion of Canada, and his party arrived here today and were entertain- ed at dinner at the Kansas City club. Mr. Sifton is investigating the work of Canadian agents working in this part of the country with a view of increas- ing immigration to the Northwest.

THREE KILLED.

Another Fatal Railway Wreck Reported.

Kenton, Ohio, Jan. 8.—The "Cannon Ball" express, one of the fastest passen- ger trains on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago railway, crashed into the rear end of a local passenger train at Ada, Ohio, tonight. Three passengers were killed and several injured. Both trains were bound West. The cars were badly wrecked. The dead are a man by the name of Stein, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and two men as yet unidentified.

CONFIDENCE RESTORED.

Situation in Morocco Reported Quiet.

Tangier, Jan. 8.—A courier who ar- rived here today from Fez is the bear- er of a letter dated January from a commercial firm saying that confidence has been restored and requesting the despatch of goods which were being de- tained here. The letter says also it is not true that Mulai Mohammed has been appointed commander in chief of the Imperial forces. The Sultan is sanguine, but it is not likely that he will assume the offensive.

FOR THE AUTO.

Emperor William Plaus a Speedway.

Berlin, Jan. 8.—One of Emperor Wil- liam's plans for transforming the Gne- wald forest into a great public park for Berlin is an automobile speedway, seven and a half miles long and twenty-five yards wide.

STARVED TO DEATH.

Woman Dies Because She Refused to Eat.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—Frances Amelia B. died in the general hospital here this morning from starvation, having re- fused to take food for 16 days. She was about to be removed to an asylum.

NEWFOUNDLAND TREATY.

New York Chamber of Commerce Sup- ports It.

New York, Jan. 8.—The Chamber of Commerce today passed a resolution ur- ging the Senate to ratify the convention which has been negotiated with Great Britain for the improvement of com- mercial relations between the United States and Newfoundland.

COAL FAMINE.

Dealers Will Sell Only on Physician's Prescription.

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 8.—A physician's certificate is now required by local coal dealers before they will sell even a ton of coal. It must show illness in the home of the would-be purchaser and that coal is necessary as a safeguard for the patient.

New York, Jan. 8.—The price of coal has been advanced to \$0.50 as a mini- mum, and some anthracite has been sold as high as \$12.50. A number of large dealers have consulted over the situa- tion, and it is probable that a meeting will be held today to promulgate a schedule of retail prices. The indepen- dent operators met in this city and agreed not to sell coal at less than \$10 a ton to the dealers. "Diesel" roads, it was said by some of the officials, would continue to sell at \$5 a ton.

Ending the  
Festivities

Another Splendid Spectacle at  
the Coronation Durbar  
In Delhi.

Lord Kitchener Leads British  
and Native Soldiers at  
Great Review.

Delhi, India, Jan. 8.—The review today by the Viceroy, Lord Curzon, of 30,000 British and native troops led by Lord Kitchener, was the last important event of the coronation durbar. The Viceroy, the Duke of Connaught and the Grand Duke of Hesse, surrounded by a bril- liant staff, took up their positions at the saluting point between the grandstands. From every side an immense multitude of Europeans and natives watched the parade and cheered its favorite regiments. Lady Curzon and the Duchess of Connaught witnessed the review from carriages.

The scene today was not less brilliant in colors than the preceding events, and it equaled them in picturesqueness. There was a particularly effective man- oeuvre after the passage of the horse ar- tillery, the cavalry, field batteries and the infantry in the order named. The cavalry in line of regiments, followed by the artillery, galloped past again and formed half a mile in front of the grand stand, and from this position it charged down in a long and magnificent line to within a short distance of the saluting point.

Of all the soldiers reviewed today, none made a better impression than the native volunteers, who were led by five companies of the 10th and 12th regiments of the Imperial Service corps, composed of natives, which saw service in China, excited great admiration, and was given a tremendous reception.

SHIPPER FINED.

A. K. Hodgins of Parkhill Broke Fruit Act.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—A. K. Hodgins, of Parkhill, Ontario, an apple shipper, has been fined \$50 for breaking an in- fringement of the Dominion Fruit Act. Reports from Montreal, Nelson, B. C., Winnipeg and Glasgow showed apples shipped by him were marked higher grade than the quality warranted.

ROYAL DIVORCE.

Attempt to Get Princess to Return to Austria.

Dresden, Saxony, Jan. 8.—Archduke Joseph Ferdinand, younger brother of the Crown Prince of Saxony, is going to pay a second visit to his sister at Geneva. This is interpreted to mean that Emperor Francis Joseph is renew- ing his attempt to induce the Crown Princess to permanently break off her relations with Prof. Chelen, who has left her and gone to Lausanne, where he will stay during the divorce proceedings, on the advice of the Princess and lawyer, and take up a residence in Austria.

LARGE RAILWAY DEAL.

Confirmation of Control of Philadelphia & Reading.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 8.—President Loree, of the Baltimore & Ohio rail- way, today officially confirmed the re- port of the purchase for his company of stock in the Philadelphia & Reading railway, and the later sale of a portion through the Pennsylvania company to the Vanderbilt interests. He said con- trol of the Reading was acquired by the Pennsylvania road on behalf of the B. & O. road through Kuhn, Loeb & Co. Of a total of 2,800,000 shares, this firm secured between 1,200,000 and 1,400,000 shares in the interest of the Pennsylvania. This was largely pre- ferred stock. Then the Vanderbilts and the B. & O. were invited to take these purchases between them. This was to bring the Reading into the community of ownership scheme originated by the Pennsylvania and New York Central, without conflicting with the laws of Pennsylvania, which prohibits the Pen- nsylvania from owning control of a com- peting line. The Vanderbilts nominated the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern railway to take up their share of the Reading. The transaction involved about \$25,000,000. The Pennsylvania selected the B. & O., and this company financed the requirements by part of the money derived from the recent sale of \$42,000,000 of stock. The deal doubles the mileage owned under the B. & O. influence. The management of the Reading will continue as at present.

Submits to  
Inevitable

Venezuela Cabinet Though Un-  
Willingly Now Agrees to  
Allies Terms.

And Dispute Will Be Settled by  
Means of Arbitra-  
tion.

Difficulties May Be Arranged  
Without Involving the Hague  
Tribunal.

Caracas, Jan. 8.—After two stormy sessions of the cabinet, all the condi- tions set forth in the replies of the pow- ers to President Castro's last proposal in the matter of settling the Venezuelan dispute through arbitration, have been accepted by the Venezuelan government. The government considers their condi- tions to be unjust, but declares it is ob- liged to yield to force. The answer was delivered at the United States legation here at noon today. The conditions of the powers cover cash payments to the allies and guarantees for the payment of the balance of their claims. It can be said on good authority that the ques- tion of raising the existing blockade will not be considered.

Washington, Jan. 8.—United States Minister Bowers transmitted to the State Department another reply from President Castro touching the arbitra- tion proposals. As heretofore, Presi- dent Castro expresses willingness to submit the matter to arbitration, and, in addition to his former communication, he is now willing to recognize the pro- priety of submitting the claims referred to in the British and German notes to The Hague, something that he has not up to this point been willing to do. Some details remain to be arranged before the next step, the appointment of commis- sioners, can be taken, and it is not yet known how President Castro will re- ceive the demand still insisted upon by the allies for a money payment, and how he will view the rejection of his own demand for immediate withdrawal of the blockade as conditions precedent.

It now appears there is a reasonable prospect that the trouble can be settled without invoking the machinery of The Hague tribunal. When the commis- sioners meet here, it is stated they will have instructions from the principals to en- deavor to adjust the dispute out of hand at Washington.

If not, the commissioners will proceed according to the original plan to draw up the protocol prescribing the conditions upon which the issues between the parties shall be submitted to arbitration of The Hague tribunal. It is improbable in the judgment of the officials here, that the blockade will be raised until the commissioners do one of these things: Either reach a complete settle- ment, or sign a protocol providing for arbitration. In the latter case, even though a technical and final adjustment cannot be realized until The Hague tri- bunal has announced its decision, the blockade will not be continued during the pendency of the proceedings there, for the protocol will be regarded as suf- ficient to bind President Castro, provid- ing the conditions precedent required by the allies are complied with.

VANCOUVER  
CIVIC ELECTIONS

Result of Aldermanic Contest  
in the Terminal City—  
Big Mill.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 8.—The civic elections here today resulted as follows: Mayor (re-elected), acclamation; Ald. Ward 1—Ald. Bethune (re-elected), and ex-Ald. Grant.

Ward 2—Ald. McQueen and Ald. Cook, (both re-elected).

Ward 3—Ald. McGuigan and Ald. Wilson (acclamation).

Ward 4—Ald. Brown (re-elected), Robt. McPherson.

Ward 5—Ald. Wood (re-elected) and John Morton (Labor candidate).

The closing meeting of the School Board took place last night. The re- port of the Management committee showed 78 teachers employed and all the schools full to overflowing. Chair- men of the Board in his address stated that the principals of the schools should be called together and asked to show cause why the pass list for the en- trance examinations in Vancouver was so small. Mr. Ramsay advocated night schools for young men and women, the city who had to earn their living before they had completed their educa- tion, and that sewing and cooking be taught in the schools.

The biggest struggle mill in the world, that is what a capitalist from Virginia says he is going to erect in Vancouver. The capacity of McNair's shingle mill is one million shingles a day and the Virginia man says his mill will be bigger. For besides erecting a shingle mill capable of turning out one million shingles in 24 shingles in 24 hours he will join the monster mill to another large shingle mill he hopes to acquire and is now negotiating for.

He will be bigger, for he is erecting a cutting 125,000 feet of timber daily for over sea export, and for railway ship- ment. As such a large undertaking will necessitate a wide extent of fore- shore property the intending investor declined to be quoted, fearing that pre- sent negotiations might be adversely af- fected. Matters have progressed so far, however, that a manager for the big mill has been named, and the project of erecting a mill in the city among timber men. The capitalist who contemplates the erection of the mills strangely enough, is not a timber man. His attention was attracted to Van- couver for young men and women, the Tourists' association in advertising Van- couver's advantages, and in many in- terviews he had with business men he felt convinced that the timber industry was the backbone of British Columbia and an investment in the industry would bring in the future sure and very sub- stantial returns.

ONTARIO ELECTIONS.

Argument in Lennox Contest—North Norfolk Count.

Toronto, Jan. 8.—(Special.)—Argu- ment in the Lennox contest on appeal was continued today, but was not finished.

Since Jan. 8.—(Special.)—The re- turning officer for North Norfolk today opened the ballot boxes and made the official declaration of votes cast by the electors. Little had 1,864 votes and Snider 1,764, making Little's majority an even 100.



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### THE LUCKY ONES.

School Trustees and License Commissioners in Vancouver.

Vancouver, Jan. 8.—(Special).—At the elections for license commissioners and school trustees today, the following were successful:

License Commissioners—W. Hunt, H. McKee.

School Trustees—T. Duke, D. Donaldson and W. J. McGuigan.

### PANAMA CANAL.

German Offer Has Been Made For Shares.

Paris, Jan. 8.—Edouard Lampre, secretary of the new Panama Canal company authorized the Associated Press to say that the reports that a German offer of 10,000,000 francs had been made to the company for the Panama canal concessions and property. The negotiations are, he added, confined to the United States.

### U. S. STEEDS.

Applications of Employees For Shares.

New York, Jan. 8.—An official of the United States Steel corporation reports that applications to the amount of 26,400 shares thus far have been made by over 12,000 employees who wish to avail themselves of the profit-sharing plan. The original proposition called for the distribution of only 25,000 shares, but the exact stock possibly will be bought in the open market.

### BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Report of Conditions on Mexican Frontier.

Tucson, Ariz., Jan. 8.—Information to the Star from the office of the Secretary of State of Hermosillo concerning the plague situation is as follows:

"The strictest quarantine is maintained at Guaymas against Mazatlan. A camp of soldiers has been established from tide-water on the boundary line between the states of Sonora and Sinaloa, the soldiers being stationed within sight of each other along the entire distance, with instructions to shoot anyone endeavoring to pass the line. The strictest kind of patrol is kept along the coast. No passports are issued to ships to clear from Guaymas, and no ships are allowed to enter from any point. Guaymas is depending entirely upon her own resources for subsistence. The most thorough system of immigration and sanitary regulations has been adopted."

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—Gov. Gage, in his biennial message to the legislature, reiterates his former statement that there never has been and is not now any bubonic plague in San Francisco. He says the visit of Surgeon-General Wyman and his assistant, Dr. Glennon, and their examination of health conditions will save the state from any further annoyance of threats of improper quarantine and of inaccurate reports growing out of reckless investigations.

### MADAME HUMBERT.

Her Preliminary Hearing Going on in Paris.

Paris, Jan. 8.—Therese Humbert was interrogated today for the first time since her arrest, the questioning being conducted by M. Leydu, judge of instruction. Mme. Humbert traversed the courtyard of the prison to the judge's chamber, with a crowd and energetic escort. She met the glances of persons she encountered on the way with much assurance. Lawyer Robert was present at the examination in behalf of the accused. Mme. Humbert was well presented to go through with the ordeal as she worked half of last night arranging answers to such questions as she thought likely to be asked. It is reported that to M. Leydu's questions she replied with much reserve and confidence. She categorically refused, however, to answer a single question regarding the Crawford or their millions, saying she reserved her replies in this connection for her trial, when she would tell absolutely everything. Mme. Humbert said she took the entire responsibility of the whole affair upon her own shoulders, and that her family had nothing to do with it. The foregoing is the latest version of the questioning, but as the proceedings before Judge Leydu were private, it is impossible accurately to ascertain what occurred. A report was current earlier in the day to the effect that Mme. Humbert declared the whole story of the Crawford and their millions to be true, and that in good time they would appear and confound her enemies.

### POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

Arrangements Progressing for the Annual Spring Exhibition.

Strenuous efforts are being made by the members of the Poultry and Pet Stock Association to make their annual exhibition the most successful of their efforts. The exhibition will open on February 4, continuing until the 7th. The entries this year, it is thought, will surpass the preceding ones, both in number and quality. Mr. M. Blackstock, a local fancier of the Eastern tribe, has imported from the East two black Minorca cocks, one from Dr. C. J. Anderson, of Canandaigua, N. Y., which won first at Rochester last year, and one from Mrs. Geo. E. Munroe, of Dryden, N. Y., which also won prizes wherever it has been shown; they most certainly are the two most beautiful birds seen for a long time. G. C. Anderson also had some Rhode Island Reds, consisting of a cockerel and three pullets, imported from G. A. Anderson, of Wenhams, Mass., who owns the beautiful bird Savage, which is a winner at all the principal shows in the East. The secretary, G. D. Christie, at No. 132 Government street, will give all necessary information to those wishing to enter birds.

### Thoroughness.

Prof. W. Hodgson Ellis, Official Analyst to the Dominion Government, states that "Sunlight Soap has a thorough cleansing power, without danger to the clothing or skin." Women who want washing done thoroughly cannot use better than Sunlight Soap—Octagon Bar. Unlike common soaps, there is no damage to the clothing, and no danger to the skin; hence the saying: Sunlight Soap reduces expense. Try Sunlight Soap—Octagon Bar—next wash day, and you will see that Prof. Ellis is right. He should know.

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### GRANTING OF FORESHORE RIGHTS

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works interviewed at Vancouver.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser publishes the following:

Hon. W. C. Wells, Minister of Public Works, was in the city yesterday consulting with C. P. R. officials concerning the dispute between the government and the company over the approach to the Westminister bridge, which he said last night, was likely to be settled.

Questioned as to the accuracy of the report from Victoria that the government intended to grant foreshore concessions, Mr. Wells said the government was now dealing with the matter, but that no leases had yet been given.

"Will concessions be granted before the House meets?"

"It is not likely that they will be," said Mr. Wells. "It all depends upon the action of the applicants, who will have six months within which to make their surveys. Of course, the application for location, which there is no difficulty in assigning, can be dealt with so soon as the applicant complies with the conditions."

The reporter observed that the impression seemed to be that the government had last session agreed not to grant foreshore leases.

Mr. Wells acknowledged that there had been a great deal of discussion on the subject, but remained silent as to the government's position. He said that the government would not be granted until the conditions were perfected. "The conditions," said he, "have now been fully defined, under which locations shall be allotted. These leases are given under the Land Act, which enables the government to grant a lease for fishing purposes, and to make conditions, which it thinks necessary, for the protection of the industry."

Asked what the conditions would be, the Minister said that the tenure of the lease would be for five years, and the location would be limited to a half-mile frontage, and there would be an annual rental of \$100. In the event of the location being used for trap fishing, the government would collect a tax of so much per thousand upon the fish caught. The amount of this tax has not yet been decided on.

"The proposed concessions are not necessarily for trap fishing, then?" Mr. Wells was asked.

Mr. Wells explained that the use of traps depended upon the Dominion government, and that a strong argument in favor of those to whom they were made, would be in a better position to get the Dominion government to act in that matter.

Mr. Wells was asked if the government had yet done anything relative to the projected transfer of the Westminster wharf to a private owner. He said that the proposals made at the time had not been further considered, and intimated that the proposition had been abandoned.

### CAPTAIN JINKS.

The story of "Captain Jinks of the Horse Marines," the best comedy of the year, was given a very interesting one, and was a good idea of the customs and manners of the early 70s, the story of the play. A steamer has just docked in New York after having crossed from Liverpool. Among the passengers is Miss Trenton, a young English girl, who is the daughter of a rich man, and who is being sent to America to marry a young man named Jinks. The story follows the adventures of the young man and woman as they travel through the West Indies, and finally reach America. The play is a comedy, and is full of humor and pathos.

### BUSINESS POINTERS.

Mrs. W. H. Adams has just opened up a new lot of new lace and silks at a price that will make them a success. She has a large stock of goods, and is willing to sell at a low price. She is located at 1111 Douglas Street.

A special sale of all kinds of footwear is being held at the Victoria Shoe Co. The sale is for a limited time, and the prices are very low. The store is located at 1111 Douglas Street.

The Minor Restaurant, Johnson Street, has been opened up under the management of Mr. J. Rutledge, former manager of the Victoria Hotel. The restaurant is well equipped, and the food is of high quality. The prices are very low.

### THE LIQUOR HABIT.

Rev. J. A. McCallen's Lecture.

On the occasion of a lecture delivered before a large and appreciative audience in Windsor Hall, Montreal, in honor of the Father Matthew anniversary, Rev. J. A. McCallen, S.S.O. of St. Patrick's Church, and President of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society, paid the following grand tribute to the value of Mr. Dixon's new discovery for the cure of alcohol and drug habits.

Referring to the physical crave engendered by the inordinate use of intoxicants, he said: "When such a crave manifests itself there is no escape unless by a miracle of grace, or by some such remedy as Mr. Dixon's cure, about which the prayers have spoken so much lately, and if I am to judge of the value of the Dixon remedy by the cures which it has effected under my own eyes, I have longed for for twenty years to see discovered has at last been found by that gentleman."

Full particulars regarding this medicine can be obtained by writing to Mr. Dixon, No. 81 Wilkes Street, Toronto, Canada.

### CANADIAN OYSTERS.

Professor Prince Advocates Export to Great Britain.

Professor Prince, Dominion Fisheries Commissioner, in a report to Hon. Sidney Fisher with respect to the development of the Canadian oyster trade in the British market, says: "It is also that the United States market takes all the oysters we can supply, and the demand is in excess of the supply; but the prices in England are so extremely high that it has always seemed to me that it would pay to export oysters far better to ship oysters across the Atlantic than to send them to our own or the United States markets. Even at the present high prices of Canadian oysters—\$4.50 to \$5.00 per barrel—the exorbitant rates in London would enable a shipper to realize very large profits. But there is a serious practical difficulty, and it is this: The United States buyers have a system which it would be difficult to break through, and our own men would rather continue to deal with their usual buyers in the States than to ship to unknown parties in the Old Country."

Professor Prince expresses the opinion that the excellence of Canadian oysters would soon give them the high place in the English markets were they sent there.

J. Morrison of Scotland, is at the Queen's Hotel, 410 Douglas Street, Cal., is at the Queen's.

### HAYWARD FOR MAYOR

The Mayor's Election committee will meet every evening at 8 o'clock at the Committee rooms, 72 DOUGLAS ST., VERNON BLOCK.

The rooms will also be open all day, where voters may be seen and other information obtained.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD.

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman for above Ward at the ensuing election.

F. W. VINCENT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD.

I beg to announce that I am a candidate at the ensuing election of Alderman for the South Ward.

G. H. BARNARD.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SOUTH WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the request of many ratepayers I offer myself as a candidate for re-election as Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

W. G. CAMERON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been requested by a large number of electors I offer myself as a candidate for Alderman for above Ward.

LAWRENCE GOODACRE.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the Board of Aldermen at the ensuing election and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

H. L. SALMON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

Having been requested by a large number of electors I offer myself as a candidate for Alderman for above Ward, and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

ALEXANDER STEWART.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the solicitation of a large number of electors I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election for Alderman for Central Ward. Your vote and influence respectfully solicited.

THOS. J. WORTHINGTON.

TO THE ELECTORS OF CENTRAL WARD.

The undersigned will be glad to have your votes and influence on Thursday the 10th inst., for the election of Alderman for the Central Ward, and any question of advantage to the city will receive every attention.

Yours very truly,

R. T. WILLIAMS.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the request of a large number of ratepayers I beg to offer myself for re-election as one of your representatives on the Aldermanic Board at the forthcoming Municipal Elections and respectfully solicit your vote and influence.

H. M. GRAHAM.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the pressing request of a large number of ratepayers I have again consented to stand as a candidate for your suffrages for the position of Alderman representing North Ward. I feel I may confidently count upon your support and assistance in view of my record of six years consecutive service as your representative at the Council Board.

I have the honor to remain, ladies and gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN KINSMAN.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

At the solicitation of numerous electors, I offer myself as a candidate for Alderman for the above ward.

THOMAS CATERALL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF NORTH WARD.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for Alderman for above ward, and beg to solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,

ROBT. DINSDALE.

### SCHOOL TRUSTEE ELECTION

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of School Trustee.

Yours respectfully,

ALFRED HUGGETT.

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA CITY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of School Trustee, and beg to solicit your vote and influence.

Yours respectfully,

LEWIS HALL.

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA CITY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of School Trustee.

Yours respectfully,

GEO. JAY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA CITY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I beg to leave to offer myself as candidate for School Trustee, and respectfully solicit your influence and vote.

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DIED.

REID—On the 7th inst., at North Saanich, David R. Reid, aged 59 years, a native of Perthshire, Scotland.

Funeral will take place on Saturday at 2 p. m.

Scotch papers please copy.

### MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS!

Meetings in the interest of the

### LABOR CANDIDATES

Will be held at the following places and dates: CREAMER'S HALL, Jan. 9th; SOUTH PARK SCHOOL, Jan. 12th; NORTH WARD SCHOOL, Jan. 13th; LABOR HALL, Jan. 14th.

ALL INVITED.

### To the Electors of the City of Victoria

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

In response to a numerously signed requisition, I have pleasure in calling a

### Public Meeting

To Take Place in the

### City Hall

—ON—  
Friday Next the 9th Inst

AT 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

For the purpose of discussing city matters. All candidates for municipal honors are particularly invited to attend.

CHAS. HAYWARD, Mayor.

### VICTORIA THEATRE

Tuesday, Jan. 13th.

Second annual tour and immense success of Thosford Fellow and Sterling English Comedy.

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And his excellent company of ladies and gentlemen, presenting Geo. H. Broadhurst's funniest and brightest Comedy, in three acts.

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A play of fun of the most charming kind.

Prices 25c., 50c., 75c. and \$1.00. Sale at Victoria Book & Stationery Store Saturday morning.

### THE REFERENDUM BY-LAW

1903

### CITY OF VICTORIA

Resolution to be Published Pursuant to the "Referendum By-Law."

"That the opinion of the electors of the Municipality of Victoria be taken on the question of the extension of the Corporation works to the provision of the 'Referendum By-Law,' upon the question: Shall the standard working day on all Corporation works be reduced to 8 hours?"

NOTICE AND DIRECTIONS TO VOTERS

Public notice is hereby given to the electors of the City of Victoria pursuant to the above Resolution and By-Law, that the presence is desired at the Old Fire Hall, on Pandora Street, on Thursday, the 15th day of January, 1903, from 9 a. m. to 7 p. m., of such of the electors as are entitled to vote at an election for Mayor, to cast their vote for or against the resolution passed by the Municipal Council upon the question: "Shall the standard working day on all Corporation works be reduced to 8 hours?"

The vote will be taken by ballot, and will be conducted in the same manner as an election for Mayor. Those in favor of the reduction of hours will place a Cross (X) in front of the word "Yes," and those against the reduction will place a Cross (X) in front of the word "No." In accordance with the "Referendum By-Law," No. 40, of which every person is requested to read notice and to govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Victoria, British Columbia, the 7th day of January, 1903.

WM. W. COURTNEY, Returning Officer.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 9th.

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KNITTED WOOL VESTS, 25c. CASHMERE HOSE, 25c. pair.

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Men's Shetland Wool Underwear, 75c. each. Umbrellas, 90c. each. Men's Silk Ties, 12c. each.

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Northbound.	Daily.	Southbound.	Northbound.	Sat. Sun. & Wed.	Southbound.
Leave.	A.M.	Arrive.	Leave.	P.M.	Arrive.
Victoria	9:00	12:00	Victoria	8:00	7:00
Shawnigan Lake	10:20	10:40	Shawnigan Lake	4:20	5:40
Duncan	11:00	10:20	Duncan	6:00	6:00
Ladysmith	11:37	9:10	Ladysmith	6:40	6:40
Nanaimo	12:40	8:20	Nanaimo	6:41	3:10
At Wellington	12:53	Lv. 8:00/ At Wellington	7:03	2:00	

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HIT ABOVE THE BELT.

Something must have come over the Times yesterday. Not content with the violence of the language it used in reference to Colonel Prior, it asserts, or perhaps he should say, insinuates that Mayor Hayward is neither honest, sincere nor truthful in his actions. Tals of a man, too, concerning whom up to a short time ago, it could not find anything too good to say. In what way can such a curious change of tone help the election of its candidate for the office of mayor, Alderman McCandless? If we could not advocate Mayor Hayward's cause without blackguarding Mr. McCandless, who is a most estimable gentleman, we should not be taking any part in the campaign at all. Here are two of the best and most public-spirited citizens in Victoria engaged in a struggle for the highest office in the city. We have a high opinion of both of them, but we have good reasons for thinking that Mayor Hayward should be continued in office. Surely it is unnecessary that those who were up to a short time ago willing to admit that Mr. Hayward had been a good and efficient public servant, should now be able to see no good in him at all, and should occupy themselves by throwing mud at him. It is not seemly and the people of Victoria have an excellent right to resent it.

SHORT-LIVED TRIUMPH.

The three Ontario constituencies in which by-elections were held on the 7th, have all elected Liberals, at least Liberals have been returned. People may, if they choose, declare that there has been a reaction in Ontario in favor of the Liberal government since the general election, sufficient to return two Liberals in constituencies where two Conservatives were returned before. If they do, they vindicate their policy at the expense of their common sense. Most will be inclined to say that it has been the pressure of the government formed upon three constituencies which has brought about this astonishing revolution. However, there it is. Premier Ross had a halter round his neck, and his desperation has enabled him to postpone his inevitable suspension. However, the Ontario situation is not by any means settled yet. A cabinet minister has agreed to resign in seat under circumstances which leave no doubt whatever that he had no hope whatever of retaining it. It is very odd if, as the Times says, "an honest offer has been made to preserve the sanctity of free institutions" by the Liberal party in Ontario, that a cabinet minister should discover that in the case of his election they had been tampered with, and retire. We should not like to accuse Mr. Davis of personal corruption. The fact that he has recognized that he would be unsent if the petition against him were proceeded with, is no proof against himself personally, as anyone with any knowledge of the Election Act knows. His case and that of Colonel Prior appear to be somewhat similar. We should not like to apply to Mr. Davis the language which the Times uses to Colonel Prior when it says, "Perhaps they have forgotten that Colonel Prior was driven from the Dominion parliament because of corrupt acts, and that Mr. Earle might have been treated in the same manner, but for reasons into which we do not desire to enter. And we would not like to wrong the Colonel by saying there was any difference in degree between his wrong-doing in the last instance, and the iniquity of his acts on the other occasions in which he appeared before the people." If language has any meaning at all this accusation is intended to insinuate that Colonel Prior's political career has been maintained by a long course of "corrupt acts," "wrong-doing" and "iniquity" on his part. We may not be an encyclopedia of knowledge on the history of political scandals in Canada. We do not conceive the political history of a country or a party to be a history of scandal, any more than we conceive the history of the human race to be a history of vice and crime; although we know very well that the man with the muck rake, the man of that type of mind which relishes scandal and is never happy except when tearing reputations to tatters, will find plenty of scandal and of vice and of crime in the political history of a country or the general history of our race. But we do know enough of the history of political journalism in Canada to know that it is long since language of the type we have just quoted from the Times was scourged into silence by the decent public opinion of the country. We know also that newspapers all over Canada which join to the prurency of scandal-hunting the hypocrisy of seeing nothing but vice in their opponents and of monopolizing all the virtue for their own party, have long been relegated to the position which the Times holds in Victoria, namely, of earning immunity from a general disregard of their opinions. We have never said that there have not been grave electoral scandals in connection with the history of the Conservative party. There have been such scandals and, wherever they have occurred, they have disgraced and enfeebled the party. But how in the name of reason, after the revelations in Lisgar, the solemn denunciation of the bench in Ontario, and the fact that the son of a prominent ex-member of parliament in Quebec is now in the penitentiary, anyone could have the audacity to deny that electoral corruption is rampant throughout the Liberal party today, and to affirm that the Liberal party has made "an honest effort to preserve the sanctity of free institutions," is more than we can understand.

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PRIOR POLICY FINDS SUPPORT.

The following article from the Inland Sentinel is an interesting comment upon an important plank in Colonel Prior's platform:

Premier Prior has placed himself on record as in favor of a general scheme of survey of unoccupied government land. He said so at Vancouver yesterday morning, and it makes very pleasant reading because it is one of the things that really need doing. But the question is, will Premier Prior act in the matter, will he see that the general scheme of surveys is put into actual operation, or will he remain content with being in favor of it only, as was the case with regard to the North Victoria by-election? Perhaps the worth of what he says about the surveys can be gathered from the sentence in which he said, "Of course the scheme would have to be carried out gradually," and from the fact that he would appear that the scheme is yet in the "preliminary" stage. It would have been infinitely more satisfactory had Col. Prior definitely announced the government's intention of making surveys at once. It is a pressing need, as everybody knows, and the prompt carrying into effect of a general scheme of surveys would do infinitely more for the development of the country than the ill advised policy of throwing half the country into the lap of railway promoters. If the government postpone the making of surveys a little longer and still continue in the madness of bestowing lands upon all subsidy hunters, they will be able to dispense with the surveys altogether as there will be no government land left to map out.

Col. Prior says it would be an expensive undertaking, and in a measure it would, but it would be a measure of immediate return and the settlement of the land would be more than an adequate compensation for the cost. It is to be hoped that, whether the Prior government remains in office or whether another ministry will direct affairs, the survey of unoccupied land will become a reality without further unnecessary delay.

The expression of a doubt as to whether Colonel Prior means to do what he says he thinks should be done, implies considerable ignorance of that gentleman. Action is the Colonel's strong point. For him to say that anything should be done is equivalent to having it done, if it lies in his power to do it. We quote this article for another reason. It is one of the most healthy symptoms we have seen in the public life of British Columbia for some time. It, in the main, discusses a measure and not a man. Colonel Prior, speaking with the authority of the premier of the province, has laid down the course he proposes to take in definite outline. He has given the people of British Columbia something to think over, something to agree with or disagree with. Whether a majority of the people of the country agree with him or not (we think they do), he has in so doing, performed a great public service. He has rescued political discussion to some extent from the barren and fruitless field of the personal merits of E. G. Prior or D. M. Elberts or R. McBride or Joseph Martin, and put it upon the plane of the criticism of the measures proposed by the government. As to the question of surveying the unoccupied Crown lands of the province, there can be no question as to the hopelessness of expecting settlement upon a large scale until the province is in a position to give intending settlers more detailed information about the land available for settlement than it is able to do at present. Some objection appears to be taken to the fact that Colonel Prior says the scheme would have to be carried out gradually.

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He certainly need not have said that, because it is a self-evident proposition, and did not require to be stated. Naturally and reasonably, the scheme of surveys would extend from the centres of settlement and gradually get further and further afield, into the unknown wilderness of which a great part of British Columbia is composed. We need a government which will act definitely and quickly to attract population and capital to the province, one which will proceed to the development of our vast estate, and in Colonel Prior's government we have got one. One of its first actions has been to withdraw the eyes of the people from the petty personal questions of provincial politics and fix them upon the larger and more important issue of provincial development.

GOVERNMENT POLICY EX-DORSED.

The Nanaimo Free Press, in a careful article, which we append, intimates that the policy and government of Colonel Prior are satisfactory to the people of Nanaimo. It says:

The straightforward declaration of the Premier that the West Yale election will be brought on, before the House meets, should silence those opposition papers which have been vilifying the government upon the wholly unwarranted assumption that the constituency was to be disfranchised for the coming session. No finer example of arguing in a circle has been afforded for many moons than the reasoning upon which this conclusion was based. The government would be in a minority, we were told, if the West Yale election took place, therefore the government would not bring on the West Yale election; and on the other hand, the government was not bringing on the West Yale election, therefore the government was afraid the result of that election would place it in a minority. Since, however, the Premier declares that the election is to take place and that there was never any other idea but that it should take place, the major premise of one syllogism is destroyed and the conclusion of the other proved to be opposed to facts.

The interview given by the Premier at Vancouver should silence that section of the Mainland press, which is doing its best to stir up the old sectional bitterness. The government has been venously attacked as an administration having no object other than the advantage of Victoria. The statement, center and definite, that the policy of the government comprehended railway extension in Southern as well as in Northern British Columbia, and up the Mainland Coast district as well as up the Island, will have a very wholesome effect across the Gulf and completely discredit in the eyes of the public the tactics of certain politicians and their organs.

Among other announcements which the Premier has taken the opportunity of making is one which in particular will be received with great satisfaction throughout the province, namely, that he intends to proceed to Ottawa and there bring pressure to bear in the matter of the restriction of Mongolian immigration, and further, that the Natal Act will be rescinded. As a member of the House of Commons, Colonel Prior did good work in pressing this question upon the Dominion government, and had he had the vigorous support of the other members from this province, the effect produced would have been greater. He, at least, cannot be blamed in any way for the present situation and we venture the prophecy that his determined representations at Ottawa will be much more productive of results than the complaisant attitude of members who "act in the up and down" of the House, "filling powers" there.

The Premier's deliverance on the administration of the finances of the country probably foreshadowed a complete remodeling of the whole system of government expenditure. Without something of this sort, we do not think he will find it possible to effect any really noteworthy economies. It is, however, satisfactory to find the government realizes the necessity of cutting the provincial cost according to the provincial cloth.

Taken as a whole, the interview given at Vancouver discloses not only a determination to grapple with the problems of the hour, but also shows a statesmanlike conception of those problems and the methods by which they must be solved.

LETIERS TO THE EDITOR.

VICTORIA DEFENDED.

Sir,—In a letter in your columns on Tuesday last, entitled "Social Evils," and signed by one "Kod," the following extraordinary statement is made:—"They (meaning the people of Vancouver) have had during the year 1902 a first-rate corporation, who have looked after these places with a strong hand, and as a consequence the number of cases of drunkenness, disorderly conduct, etc., have largely decreased." Now, for the following reason, I am obliged to brand this statement of Mr. Clark's as a complete misstatement of fact. The good man, apparently, reads the papers, if one judges from the rest of subject matter of his letter. As a matter of plain statistical fact, there was during 1902, an enormous increase in the number of cases of drunkenness in the city of Vancouver, and this in spite of an appalling number of private and public, through the provincial press, in view of these well-known facts, which are common knowledge to every man and woman who reads the daily papers, I take this opportunity of denouncing Mr. Clark, through your columns, how he dared publish the outrageous statement contained in the last of his letter, which I have quoted? As to the matter of the "Social Evils," the statistics showing this deplorable increase of thirst were published a week or two ago in all the Vancouver papers, who went bitterly over the humiliating figures which were severely commented upon by the provincial press. 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## Budget of News From Far East

### Political Crisis in Japan—More Insurrections in Restless China.

### Kwangsi Rebellion Is Becom- ing More Serious—Rebels Build River Forts.

The political crisis which has been  
prevailing in Japan has resulted in a  
deadlock. On December 17 the Lower  
House was suspended as a result of an  
attack made by the opposition, led by  
the Seiyu-kai (Marquis Ito's party), and  
as no compromise had been effected up  
to the time of the sailing of the Em-  
press of Japan, on December 23, dis-  
solution was expected to follow. The  
deadlock which caused a suspension of  
the Japanese Diet arose over the min-  
istry's attitude on the Land Act, which  
provided for increased land taxes. The  
opposition had intimated that the cabi-  
net attached chief importance to the  
question of naval increment and that  
the land tax would not be made a cru-  
cial problem. On discovering that the  
ministry was irrevocably determined to  
stand by its land tax programme, the  
opposition decided to attack it at once,  
and a whip was sent around to have all  
the members in their seats. When the  
opposition carried the House and forced  
the suspension in accordance with the  
Japanese constitution, Count Katsura,  
the premier, delivered a lengthy speech,  
inviting the opposition to reconsider their  
course, but neither the Premier's speech  
nor Admiral Yamamoto's plea could win  
over the Seiyu-kai and Progressivists,  
and the Diet was thereupon suspended.  
Immediately after the suspension,  
Baron Kodama, governor-general of  
Formosa, who endeavored to act as  
mediator between the parties, proceeded  
to Yagawara and consulted with Mar-  
quis Ito as to the feasibility of a com-  
promise. The Marquis explained that  
he had no desire whatever to return to  
power, and that he would much prefer  
to see the present cabinet remain in of-  
fice if he could approve of their policy.  
But with regard to the question of the  
land tax, the Marquis was unyielding.  
He fully admitted the importance of na-  
val increment, but he believed that one  
or two years' delay in undertaking it  
would not signify, and he held that funds  
for the purpose should be obtained by  
other means. The Marquis also pointed  
out that the navy programme  
and by effecting administrative retrench-  
ments. Baron Kodama, finding no hope  
of conciliation, returned to Tokyo, and  
reported frankly that, according to Mar-  
quis Ito, the situation could not be re-  
solved except by the ministry's surren-  
der.

Count Matsukata, in an interview at  
Kyoto, said that he sees no hope of  
compromise. The House of Representa-  
tives, he said, overtly admits the ne-  
cessity of naval expansion and is  
consciously aware of the necessity of  
revenue can be found for the land  
tax. Hence its opposition must be at-  
tributed to some independent cause, and  
the prospect is that unless the cabinet  
resigns, dissolution of the House is in-  
evitable.

Prince Konoye is said to have pre-  
sented to the Premier a memorial con-  
taining the views of a majority of the  
House of Peers. Briefly stated, the  
memorial advocates withdrawal of the  
land tax bill, and the provision of funds  
for purposes of naval expansion by ef-  
fecting a reduction of about 5 per cent.  
in the ordinary expenditures, postponing  
all government enterprises that are not  
of an imperative character, and cutting  
down all grants that admit of reduction.

INSURRECTIONS.  
Further advices regarding the insur-  
rection—which, as cables have told has  
broken out in Kansu and Mongolia,  
headed by the exiled Gen. Tang Fuh-  
siang, were received by the steamer Em-  
press of Japan, which arrived yester-  
day morning. Messrs. Carville and  
Douglas have arrived at Shanghai from  
Yinghsin, the central city of Kansu.  
The general had left that city and was  
then in the hills in the neighborhood  
of Pingliang, on the other side of the  
province, about half way between Lan-  
chow and Sianfu, the respective cap-  
itals of Kansu and Shensi. The people  
seemed uneasy and a state of revolt  
seemed imminent. The day missionaries  
had been sent to Shanghai from fear of  
trouble. Tang Fuhsiang was reported to  
have about 30,000 troops around him,  
all well armed.

A Kansu officer in Pekin has received  
news of a Mohammedan rising at Chang  
Chia-chuan. This place is very strong-  
ly situated between the borders of  
Shensi and Kansu, formerly the Chi-  
nese always kept a strong army corps  
there, but lately there has only been a  
small guard.

The Pekin correspondent of the Jiji  
Shimpo of Tokyo, were that telegrams  
have been received at Pekin from the  
commandant at Mandai that Kan Ho-  
ru, who heads the insurgents in North  
Shingking, is now the leader of a hun-  
dred thousand men, and has obtained  
possession of the most important points  
in the neighborhood of Kouikden. The  
telegram adds that he has proclaimed  
himself sovereign.

The rebellion in Kwangsi grows. Ad-  
vices from Hongkong state that one-half

the province of Kwangsi has fallen into  
the hands of the rebels. Gen. Ma has  
been killed, and the capital, Kweilin,  
where the Taipings had their first win-  
ning success, is in imminent peril. Gen.  
Ma, who was sent from Chihai against  
the rebels, won fame during the Boxer  
campaign and by quelling the Jehol re-  
bellion. Telegrams to native papers in  
Shanghai state that the majority of  
the rebels are at Schichien, Nanning,  
and Taiiping prefectures, while small  
bodies are going about Shien, Ching-  
yuan and Linchow districts. On the left  
bank of Nanning there are four large  
bodies of rebels comprising in all about  
thirteen thousand men.

Late in November a battle occurred  
between imperial forces under Gen.  
Tong and rebels in Locheung district.  
The imperialists were compelled to retire  
with heavy loss. Along the banks of the  
river between Kueiyuan district and  
Nanning the rebels have erected forts  
at different points for the purpose of  
plundering the large junks that pass  
there.

An insurrection has broken out in  
Chaochow, Shantung, as a result of the  
poverty-stricken condition of the people  
of that section.

Several Boxers have been arrested  
for practising their art at Nanking.

KILLED MISSIONARY.  
Chinese native papers received by the  
Empress of Japan report that the Chi-  
nese robber who robbed and murdered  
an American missionary in Tibet, near  
the Szechuan border, and afterwards en-  
gaged into Kwangsi, has been captured  
in the mountains of that province af-  
ter difficulty. In his possession was  
found a passport, gold watch, revolver  
and other property of the American.  
The robber and booty have been sent to  
the Szechuan authorities, who took up  
the long chase for the murderer at the  
request of the United States consulate.

SELLING OLD SHIPS.  
Viceroy Chang is reorganizing the  
Chinese fleet. Several old ships have  
been struck off the list, their crews dis-  
charged, and the vessels will be sold by  
auction and the proceeds devoted to the  
purchase of modern warships.

The system of selling offices is re-  
ported by the Jiji's Pekin correspond-  
ent to have been revived in Shantung.  
The Emperor's proclamation against it  
has been nullified. This method of rais-  
ing money dates from very old times in  
China.

The Pekin University was re-opened  
on December 17.

The Chinese government has issued  
orders for the capture of the value of the  
China Merchants' Company's fleet, with  
a view to its purchase by the state.

A chamber of commerce has been or-  
ganized at Pekin by the Chinese govern-  
ment and envoys sent throughout the  
country to bring about a more complete  
uniformity in trade conditions through-  
out the empire.

THE DEAD MINISTER.  
Steamer Korea, which left Yokohama  
for San Francisco via Honolulu on De-  
cember 24, had on board the remains of  
Minister Buck, which were escorted from  
the mortuary of the United States  
Naval hospital by an escort of United  
States bluejackets. Mrs. Buck ac-  
companies the remains. A large con-  
course of friends attended a farewell  
gathering held at the United States le-  
gation at Yokohama on December 23.

Two fatal explosions were reported from  
Japan. On December 16 an explosion  
occurred at the powder magazine in the  
sixth workshop at the Kure arsenal.  
Four persons were killed and seven se-  
verely hurt. An explosion of powder in  
connection with the boring of a tunnel  
for the Hokkaido railway resulted in  
30 being killed or injured.

Four cases of bubonic plague have  
been found in a spinning factory at  
Tokyo. One of the victims died, and  
microscopic examination of the remains  
revealed plague bacilli.

MURDERED A CANADIAN.  
The murderer of Mr. Large, a Cana-  
dian missionary, killed in Tokyo, 1889,  
has been discovered in a Tokyo  
prison, but he will escape punishment  
for the murder under the law of limita-  
tions.

A syndicate of tea exporters has been  
formed in Japan and is now en-  
deavoring to bring the combine into touch with the United  
States market.

Four blocks were destroyed by fire at  
Cebu, Philippine Islands, on December  
8, with a loss of over a million dollars  
and several lives.

Steamer Kelsio, 200 tons, of Chemul-  
po, Korea, was destroyed by fire off the  
Korean coast. The crew escaped.

Fire destroyed 800 houses in Oiso,  
Japan, on December 22. No lives were  
lost.

A new steel building fire storeys high  
is to be built for the Grand hotel at Yo-  
kohama.

## Empress Had Rough Passage

Head Winds and Heavy Weather  
With Heavy Gale at  
Meridian.

No Sign of Overdue Pleiades  
—Victorian Sold to Terminal  
Railway.

Steamer Empress of Japan, Capt.  
Pybus, moored at the Outer wharf yester-  
day morning after a rough passage  
from Yokohama. The white liner  
brought no news of the overdue Plei-  
ades, and it would seem from the re-  
port made the officers of the C. P. R.  
liner regarding the weather experienced  
by the Empress, that the Boston S. S.  
Co.'s big freighter must have broken  
down, if worse has not happened. The  
Empress encountered a heavy gale and  
gales en route across, which would have  
been fair winds for the Pleiades, and  
aided her progress, other than retarded  
her. The Pleiades was but two days  
behind when the Empress left, and  
there was little talk in Japanese ports  
regarding her delay.

The Empress of Japan left Yokohama  
on December 25, and from the follow-  
ing day until the time she arrived off  
the Straits the steamer encountered  
moderate gales from the North-west to  
the East, and at the meridian, about  
five days out from the Japanese port,  
when in 50 North and 180 longitude  
the steamer encountered a heavy gale  
from the North-east, which was  
which swept on board the Empress,  
breaking the forward bulwark doors on  
the starboard side, but causing no other  
damage, other than sweeping seas along  
the alleyways and decks.

The steamer had a small complement  
of saloon passengers, there being but  
eight in all, and 10 intermediate and  
201 steerage, of whom 33 Chinese and  
two Japanese embarked here. The  
steamer had a cargo of 2,221 tons  
measurement, including 2,050 bales of  
silk and silk goods, about 200 tons for  
shipment to New York. Her saloon pas-  
sengers were as follows: E. G. Eager,  
of Toledo, Ohio, traveling for the  
Goodyear Tire & Rubber company, who  
has been on a business trip to the ports  
of China, Japan, the Straits and the  
Philippines, and he reports having done  
considerable business; Dr. P. Butter-  
field, a United States doctor, who is  
now president of the Philippine Lum-  
ber company, organized at Los An-  
geles, with a view to engaging in the  
lumber business at the islands, and his  
secretary, A. E. Eddy, of E. E. Kearny,  
a railway supplier, who has been at  
Manila; A. White, formerly an official  
of the Great Northern railway; Dr. R.  
H. Macaulay, W. R. Layton, R. N.,  
and F. B. Jacobs, traveling for a dry  
goods house.

The Empress brought further news  
of the rough outward passages of the  
Empress of China, the Athenian, and  
the U. S. S. Oregon. Full particulars  
have been given in our columns. The  
white liner and the battleship, but  
brief reports have heretofore been re-  
ceived not giving particulars of the  
troubles of the Athenian. The Japan  
Advertiser says: "On the 7th of the  
month a severe storm swept over the  
islands and flooded her music room and  
dining saloon. On the first day of the storm  
S. H. Neely, of Washington, D. C., one  
of the passengers, while on a stroll,  
was struck and injured by the waves  
lurching of the ship and sustained pain-  
ful but not serious injuries. One rib  
was fractured and his side badly  
bruised. On December 1 as seven Chi-  
nese sailors were setting the main jib,  
he was whipped by the wind from their  
grasp, and the wood pulley struck one  
sailor, literally knocking the entire top  
of his head off, killing him instantly.  
It then struck the second man on the  
head, injuring him so that little hope  
is entertained by the ship's surgeon for  
his recovery, the third man was badly  
injured about the shoulder. On Sunday,  
December 7, the assistant purser, Mr.  
O'Meara (two initials), was thrown  
violently by the lurching of the ship,  
his nose and cheek being badly cut.  
During most of the voyage the chief  
steward of the Athenian was seriously ill,  
and this with the other disasters  
aboard, kept Surgeon Palmer busy."

INCREASED SUBSIDIES.  
To Allow For Improvement in Cana-  
dian-Australian Line.

Steamer Moana, of the Canadian-  
Australian line will sail today for the  
Antipodes via Honolulu and Suva, and  
amongst her cargo is a large quantity  
of barrels of flour consigned to Sydney by  
Brackman & Ker of this city, which  
firm is shipping 1,600 tons of oats to  
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JUVENILE STOWAWAYS.  
Two Boys Secure Passage to San Fran-  
cisco on the Queen.

Steamer Queen is due from San Fran-  
cisco. On her down trip she had two  
juvenile stowaways. A dispatch from  
San Francisco says: "Following the  
arrival of the Queen, which gave their  
ages as 12 and 10, but appear younger, came  
to this port as stowaways on the Queen  
on Wednesday. They give as their  
reason that there was no chance for  
their baggage ability to pay for their  
fare. They were well treated, but  
being, in their own estimation, song and  
dance artists, they sought San Fran-  
cisco and theatrical engagements. Hear-  
ing that a society might take charge of  
them, the boys determined to abandon  
the glare of the footlights and seek a  
less conspicuous calling, but too late.  
They will be sent home. Conroy is  
the son of a wholesale fish dealer in  
Seattle. Murray's father is dead."

BOUGHT THE VICTORIAN.  
Reported Victoria Terminal Railway  
Company Secured Her For \$45,000.

The officers of the Victoria Terminal  
Railway & Ferry company, who as stated  
yesterday had gone to Tacoma for  
the purpose of negotiating for the  
steamer Victorian, whose engines were  
wanted for their ferry vessel, did not  
return yesterday as expected. It is  
reported, though, that they have se-  
cured the steamer Victorian for their  
purpose, and that the steamer is to be  
re-fitted to this city by one of the Puget  
Sound tugboat company's tugs. A re-  
port from Tacoma says the price paid  
for the Victorian was \$45,000. The  
party, which went over to make the  
deal for the Victorian Terminal Rail-  
way & Ferry company, which includes  
the president, John Hendry, vice-presi-  
dent, A. E. Woods, Thornton Felt, the  
solicitor for the company, and H. E.  
McGuire, engineer of the steamer  
Strathcona, who went over to examine  
the steamer's machinery, will probably  
depart by the steamer Majestic this af-  
ternoon.

DUNEARN REINSURED.  
Coal Carrier Bound From Cardiff to Vic-  
toria—Several About Due.

The British ship Dunearn, which is  
181 days out from Cardiff with coal for  
Sika, has been placed on the overdue  
list and insured at 75 per cent. The  
Dunearn's voyage to the Alaskan port  
created some surprise among shipping  
men, when it was learned that she was  
headed there, as there are no tugs at  
Sika, and it is a very difficult port  
for a sailing ship to enter in the winter  
months. The weather is very bad in  
that part of the North Pacific during  
the winter months, and anxiety is now  
being felt for the Dunearn. She was  
ordered to come from Sika to the  
Royal Roads after discharging her coal  
cargo.

The Dunearn is a comparatively new  
ship, having been built at Port Glas-  
gow by Russell & Co., in 1894. She is  
1,333 tons net burden and is owned by  
J. Haynes & Co., of London.

ORIENTAL LINERS.  
Many Liners Now En Route to Vic-  
toria.—Several About Due.

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boloid company, a sister liner of the  
overdue Pleiades, is now due from  
Yokohama, and is expected to arrive  
December 23 for this port, and her own-  
ers are looking to her arrival in the  
hope that she may bring some news of  
her long delayed sister liner, now 14  
days overdue at Yokohama. The steamer  
Tacoma of the Northern Pacific line  
is due on Sunday or Monday from

Australia by the ship California now  
loading at Vancouver. The Moana will  
have a heavy cargo. The intelligence  
emanating from Australia, that in view  
of the expiration in three months of  
the mail subsidy contract on the Cana-  
dian-Australian line between Vancou-  
ver and Sydney, an entirely new ar-  
rangement will be adopted involving in-  
creased subsidies and exclusive control  
vested in the C. P. R., has every in-  
dication of being realized in the near  
future.

It is realized that the present service  
is inadequate to the constantly expand-  
ing demands of trade between Canada  
and Australia. This trade has received  
an immediate and substantial impetus  
by the completion of the All-Red cable.  
At present many inquiries are being ex-  
changed between the Dominion and  
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The officers of the Victoria Terminal  
Railway & Ferry company, who as stated  
yesterday had gone to Tacoma for  
the purpose of negotiating for the  
steamer Victorian, whose engines were  
wanted for their ferry vessel, did not  
return yesterday as expected. It is  
reported, though, that they have se-  
cured the steamer Victorian for their  
purpose, and that the steamer is to be  
re-fitted to this city by one of the Puget  
Sound tugboat company's tugs. A re-  
port from Tacoma says the price paid  
for the Victorian was \$45,000. The  
party, which went over to make the  
deal for the Victorian Terminal Rail-  
way & Ferry company, which includes  
the president, John Hendry, vice-presi-  
dent, A. E. Woods, Thornton Felt, the  
solicitor for the company, and H. E.  
McGuire, engineer of the steamer  
Strathcona, who went over to examine  
the steamer's machinery, will probably  
depart by the steamer Majestic this af-  
ternoon.

DUNEARN REINSURED.  
Coal Carrier Bound From Cardiff to Vic-  
toria—Several About Due.

The British ship Dunearn, which is  
181 days out from Cardiff with coal for  
Sika, has been placed on the overdue  
list and insured at 75 per cent. The  
Dunearn's voyage to the Alaskan port  
created some surprise among shipping  
men, when it was learned that she was  
headed there, as there are no tugs at  
Sika, and it is a very difficult port  
for a sailing ship to enter in the winter  
months. The weather is very bad in  
that part of the North Pacific during  
the winter months, and anxiety is now  
being felt for the Dunearn. She was  
ordered to come from Sika to the  
Royal Roads after discharging her coal  
cargo.

The Dunearn is a comparatively new  
ship, having been built at Port Glas-  
gow by Russell & Co., in 1894. She is  
1,333 tons net burden and is owned by  
J. Haynes & Co., of London.

ORIENTAL LINERS.  
Many Liners Now En Route to Vic-  
toria.—Several About Due.

Steamer Hyades, of the Boston Tur-  
boloid company, a sister liner of the  
overdue Pleiades, is now due from  
Yokohama, and is expected to arrive  
December 23 for this port, and her own-  
ers are looking to her arrival in the  
hope that she may bring some news of  
her long delayed sister liner, now 14  
days overdue at Yokohama. The steamer  
Tacoma of the Northern Pacific line  
is due on Sunday or Monday from

Australia by the ship California now  
loading at Vancouver. The Moana will  
have a heavy cargo. The intelligence  
emanating from Australia, that in view  
of the expiration in three months of  
the mail subsidy contract on the Cana-  
dian-Australian line between Vancou-  
ver and Sydney, an entirely new ar-  
rangement will be adopted involving in-  
creased subsidies and exclusive control  
vested in the C. P. R., has every in-  
dication of being realized in the near  
future.

It is realized that the present service  
is inadequate to the constantly expand-  
ing demands of trade between Canada  
and Australia. This trade has received  
an immediate and substantial impetus  
by the completion of the All-Red cable.  
At present many inquiries are being ex-  
changed between the Dominion and  
Canada as to the necessity of the stimu-  
lation of commerce between these two  
vast dominions of the Empire by an in-  
vestigation, as to what material and  
manufactures may be obtained from  
each other.

It is also a matter of common knowl-  
edge that Premier Seddon is anxious  
to have New Zealand made a party to  
any new arrangements respecting trans-  
-Pacific mail subsidies. The New Zea-  
land premier believes in encouraging all  
British lines and is adverse to the  
Speckles company receiving any sub-  
sidies in its transportation of mail and  
cargo from San Francisco to Auckland.  
The plan of reorganization will em-  
brace the idea of putting on larger and  
swifter vessels, and, it is understood,  
that Canada will be asked to increase  
its subsidy from \$50,000 to \$100,000  
and Australia in proportion. If New  
Zealand is party to the contract, the  
large aggregate amount of the subsidies  
will permit of the newly constructed  
Canadian-Australian line providing all  
the necessary facilities for the freight  
and passenger traffic which will  
undoubtedly set in by reason of the  
greatly improved conditions in inter-  
communication. It is recognized that  
the Moiera is hardly up to the average  
demand, the Moana and Aorangi  
being good ships in their class.

The proposition of a reconstructed  
Canadian-Australian steamship service  
will include the entire management and  
control being entrusted in the hands of  
Mr. R. Campbell, of Victoria. It is  
being brought up for consideration at the  
meeting of the C. P. R. directors the  
various details involved in the exten-  
sive arrangements above referred to.

HEAVY SPECULATION.  
On the Overdue German Bark Paul  
Rickmers.

Speculation on the overdue German  
four-masted bark Paul Rickmers, 220  
days out from Bangkok for Germany,  
has been heavier the past few days  
than upon any 90 per cent. overdue in  
years, and several thousand dollars have  
been paid for the ship. That high figure  
was quoted upon the Rickmers last Fri-  
day upon receipt of instructions from  
Lloyds in London by M. A. Newell &  
Co., the reinsurance brokers of San  
Francisco. It is reported that almost  
every man who has speculated on over-  
dues during the past several months  
has put up money on the Rickmers,  
and none of the speculators has shown  
any lack of faith in her safe arrival.  
Speculation on the German bark H. P.  
Glade last year, though it still holds the record for the  
amount of money risked, was not so  
heavy for the first two days after the  
rate reached 90 per cent. as it has been  
on the Rickmers. The fine condition of  
the Rickmers, coupled with the fact that  
she has proved herself a slow sailer,  
is considered sufficient reason to believe  
that the vessel will yet arrive at her  
destination.

The German ship Columbia, for  
weeks past on the overdue list, at 10  
per cent., was reported yesterday as  
having reached Hogo, her destination,  
after a passage of 228 days from  
Philadelphia with coal oil. The still  
longer passage of the Clarence S. Ben-  
net, lately ended at Japan, militated  
against a high rate on the Columbia.  
The British ship St. Enoch, out 245  
days from Hamburg for Santa Rosalia,  
at 60 per cent., and the British ship  
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